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Matthew Cohn, Attorney Legal Enforcement Program Environmental Protection Agency 999 18th Street Denver, COLO 80202

Re: Frank Edwards Trust - Vermiculate Intermountain Site

Dear Mr. Cohn:

This will confirm my conversation today with Mr. Michael Risner of your office.

I advised Mr. Risner that I had just been retained to respond to the EPA's CERCLA § 104(e) request directed to the Frank Edwards Trust and Robert F. Edwards. I further advised that, as a result of my recent retention, a response to the Section 104(e) request would be forthcoming within the month.

Mr. Risner advised that a response to this Section 104(e) request in that period would be satisfactory and not considered untimely.

Thank you for your courtesy in this matter.

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Bruce S. Flushman

cc. Mr. Michael Risner, Esq.

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